

Reception Class Newsletter

20th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

In Maths the focus has been on "sharing" a set of objects between groups of different numbers. Vocabulary used has included, fair, unfair, equal and unequal. For example, sharing a bag of 10 apples between 2 people will give them 5 each, this is equal and fair. Sharing the bag between 3 people will give 3 each with one left over as it would be unfair or unequal if one person had 4 and the other two had 3. This gave the opportunity to revisit previous maths learning on odd and even numbers as one child said, "It's odd so it can't be shared equally between 2 people, there will always be 1 left over!". This led on to then explore odd numbers and the number of people objects can be shared between so there would be nothing left over. For example 9 apples can be shared between 3 people equally, but 8 apples can't. Lots of explorations has been made and it's been lovely to see the mathematical thinking the children have been using to investigate different number problems.

The children are enjoying learning about transport in the **past** and **present** and the changes which have taken place. We have learnt that aeroplanes are much bigger now than they were many years ago when only one person could fit in compared to present day when possibly aeroplanes can have more than 100 passengers maybe! Looking at the difference in cars from the **past** and **present** and the introduction of electric cars we discussed how quiet they are compared to cars which work using petrol. An awareness of this with regards to road safety is important. Miss Prior, the school History Lead had an old ticket machine which the children enjoyed learning about. As part of "Understanding the World" within the EYFS curriculum the aim is to build historical knowledge by learning about the past.

As part of the homework this week there is a handwriting sheet. Please practise the letters at home encouraging your child to think about where each letter begins and ends. Many children have neat handwriting but need to focus on correct letter formation. Thanks for your support with this.

Reception Health Screening took place on Thursday. Well done to all of the children for being so sensible whilst their sight, hearing and weight were checked. Any concerns as a result of this will be sent directly to you. School staff are not informed.

Reception Staff